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If you didn't send in an article fro TNA NEWS during 1981, how about making up for it in 1982??

1st REMEMBER The of March is the deadline for the April issue

LLOYD C. COLVIN

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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Let's all remember May 21 22 23, Tarrant County Convention Center Fort Worth, Texas and jot those dates down now. Remember to invite your spouse and children. This annual TNA convention promises to bring more special events to please everyone. L.C. (Lonnie) Mears, our general chairman, has surrounded himself with an extremely capable staff. Our host the Fort Worth Coin Club, is joining with Lonnie to provide those extras that make a convention a memorable event. Bob Slocum, our easy-going bourse chairman, reports table sales have been brisk and this will enable both buyer and seller an excellent source to conduct business.

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Your President was invited and attended the annual Christmas banquet held by the Wichita Falls Stamp & Coin Club. I gave a short talk to an extremely nice audience. The Bar-B-Cue was simply delicious and many thanks to all those folks for the invitation.

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Remember the goal of 500 new members for TNA. All governors, appointed officials and the entire membership could assure the success by proposing a minimum of one applicant. Please take the time now and ask that special friend. Building TNA will result and you will have been a part. Most of our members, if reached, will help. Won't you?

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By the way, Andy Almquist of San Antonio, our youth chairman, sure could use some help by proposing new junior members. We would all like to see Andy surrounded by many new faces in Fort Worth. We also need to lower our TNA age average.

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At this writing, interest rates have fallen somewhat and investor interest in bullion items as well as collectibles seems to be increasing. Remember the collector is a fickle person. Don't overprice or overgrade your material whether customer or dealer. Treat everyone fairly. Let us hope interest rates continue to fall and our general economy throughout this country and world improves.

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Think about making one of your New Year's resolutions—to increase one's productivity along with quality in the finished product—and we will soon see an increase in our annual income and America will hum louder than ever!

LIFE WITHOUT DEATH OF A 31-S

By E. L. "Bob" Bills
● 1981

My life began back in 1931 in San Francisco. I guess I was lucky to be stamped that year because I have always been worth a little bit more than other dates. But maybe I better start at the beginning. The day the copper sheet was punched into planchets was surely mine. I was perfect, but sure needed some character.

Three months pass just sitting around in a box. One day we all felt ourselves being moved. Almost before I knew what was happening, I was on a machine moving very fast and "WHAM". Oh, that Smarted!! But just look at me, I am beautiful with my unusual design to live with forever. Lincoln's portrait and the date 1931-S on my front side and a wreath with wheat straws on the back, and this is my life history.

No, I am not ready to die, so don't discard me yet. I will tell you about the next 50 years, after they have passed.

You see, today is my birthday, so humor me for a little while. But to get back to my story. I got my first black eye almost instantly when the bag I was counted into was thrown onto a table and one of my brothers bumped me hard with his rim. It hurt and kind of distorted my vision a little, but we all learn to live with our flaws.

The next day we were moved onto a truck and hauled to a dark room and stored there for most of that year

(gave me a chance to get used to life with a bad eye). Jan. 2, 1932, I could feel the suspense early. It seemed that everyone was excited because we were to go to a bank in El Centro, Calif. I, along with some 4,999 other 31-S cents, a bag full of Buffalo nickels and some 28-S silver dollars were loaded onto a train and away we went. To hear the whistle of that steam locomotive on my first real trip still haunts my dreams. That old train should have been saved like us old coins. Can you imagine how much they would be worth today?

When we arrived there were three guards to unload us so we felt a little deflated, but were soon moved onto a Model "A" truck which sure was an unusual way to travel. That trip was short though, and as the guard took us into the bank the teller called out to leave the one cent coins with him. The guard handed us over the counter to the teller and instantly a bright light hit my eye to blind me temporarily.

When I recovered I was being handed to a very nice lady at the counter. I knew she was nice by the way she talked about how beautiful I was.

Then she closed her hand and I felt the first fear I had ever known. As her hand closed, I felt the oily, sweaty feeling of human flesh and I began to darken at that moment. She carelessly dropped me into her change purse and I could feel her walking along, speaking to people we met and stopping to chat now and then. After about 15 minutes, she stopped at the drug store to get some medicine. The druggest said her purchase was 82¢, she opened her change purse and I was placed on the counter, along with some other coins. The druggest said "Thank You" and picked us up and dropped us into a cash box. (another new experience for me, but short lived)

Within 15 minutes I was given out to a man from Mexico and was in his pocket bouncing around on my way to another country, I thought. But my hopes were dashed after he mounted a saddled horse and in his talk with another rider I knew that they worked on a ranch in Arizona. We must have traveled for four days when we came to a windmill with a metal tank full of water. My cowboy owner said he was going to take a bath and clean up in some clean clothes. Boy I was ready, for I love a soapy clean smell. When he had finished his bath and was taking things out of his pockets, he accidently dropped me on the sand at the edge of the water tank. The toe of his boot pushed me under the edge of the tank and that became my home for the next five years.

Guess I would still be there if that crazy coyote hadn't come along. He was thirsty and hot and after a cool drink from the tank he decided to dig alongside the tank for a cool spot to lay down. While he was shifting around, trying to get comfortable he shifted the sand I was on and I fell in the hole with him. He sure was warm feeling and I could hear his heart beating. I listened for a minute then I knew that he was afraid of something. He moved nervously and raised his head, looking everywhere. Something was wrong — He knew! He got up and looked around carefully and then he was gone in a flash. A car was coming in a cloud of dust. I heard a loud bang and somehow I knew it was a gun, a rifle. "Run Coyote Run. I hope you make it." I guess he did by what the cattleman said when he stopped at the tank.

The cattleman climbed up on the windmill, put some grease on it and started down when he saw the hole the coyote had dug. I heard him walking around and knew I was going to be buried alive. I saw him kick the dirt and then exclaimed "Hey, a lucky penny." He reached down and picked me up. He washed me off in the tank and dropped me in his pocket.

Late that afternoon we arrived at his ranch house and he gave me to his little boy. He was five years old and collected coins with assistance from his grandfather. He placed me in a small jar with some other cents and two nickels, then put us in a closet. The next time I was brought out the boy was sixteen years old and I was seventeen. His mother was cleaning out the closet and found the jar we

were in. It was November 1948. She said, "I bet Bob sure will be surprised when he comes in for Christmas." Grandpa arrived first and Mom told him about the coins she had found. He said, "Let me see them, there might be a good one in there." She got the jar and poured it all out on the table. He looked at all the other coins before he looked at me, because I was tarnished and very dark colored. When he saw me, then he became excited. Said he had never been able to find one with [illegible] date on it.

When Bob arrived, old grandpa was still excited and insisted that he look at me. Bob looked and then went to a dresser and got out his cent book. "Look Grandpa, I already have one of that date," he said, "so why don't you take that one as a Christmas present." Boy, was Grandpa overjoyed at his prize, he took me right then into the kitchen. "Daughter, I need some vinegar and soda," he said. She told him to look in the cabinet on the right side and he'd find it, she was too busy with Christmas dinner to help him.

Grandpa got the vinegar and soda and a small bowl. He poured a small amount of vinegar in the bowl and dropped me in. He left me there tinghing for a few minutes, and I slowly began to turn back to a copper color. He rinsed me in clean water and looked me over. "Not bad, not bad at all, guess the sand here stopped any pitting and I sure am glad," he said, positively. He then put some water in a pan on the stove and dipped out two spoons full of soda. When the mixutre came to a boil, he dropped me in and left me for sixty seconds. It was hot but the tingle from the vinegar was gone when I cooled off. Very carefully he wrapped me in his handkerchief for the long ride back to Texas after the holidays were over. I learned he was in the oil business and traveled a lot.

When we got to his home at Graham, Texas, he got out the handkerchief with me inside and carefully unwrapped me. The book he kept his coins in was a type that had prepunched holes to fit one of each date and mint mark of cents from 1909 to 1950. He sure was proud of me and he made a point of saying I was the most expensive one he had. He only had a few old holes left to fill and about six holes in 1949 and 1950. A couple of months later, he got us out and put a 1909-S and 1911-S in their holes. There were only a few old empty holes left to fill. Later that year he got all of the 1949 coins and about July of 1950, he got all of the 1950 coins. Now only four old holes left to fill and not enough time to find the coins.

Ole Grandpa was starting to drill his own wells and was having great success. By 1960 he had 96 pumping wells and was going strong. I traveled in his suitcase in my book, along with all the other cents. I guess he just forgot us, or was too busy with his work.

One day he went to the airport taking us along as usual and before I could hardly catch my toning, that plane was flying over the ocean. We landed in a country called Iran. People talked different. They were dark colored and I remembered my days under the tank. I sure wondered if they had a similar lost experience. Never did find out as we were only

there a few days, and then another airplane ride, brought us to Iraq. Some talk of oil, but not much else. I sure didn't see any other Lincoln cents in those countries. They had a different kind of money there. Time passed slowly and we just waited, knowing sooner or later we would be going somewhere again. It finally happened, but not as we expected.

The maid who cleans the room, moved the suit case and it popped open. Cents rolled out all over the floor. I stopped right in front of her. I guess the temptation was just too great, she picked several of us up and dropped us in a bucket. She put the rest back in the suit case, finished her work and fearfully left the room. She hurried to a small shop on a back street and offered us for sale. I sure was surprised when the shop owner offered one silver coin for me, 1/2 Rial, I think he called it, said he would give her another 1/2 Rial for all the rest of the cents. She took it like it was a fortune and quickly left.

The shop owner smiled and said he would sure make some money on that deal. He placed me inside a plastic holder and then inside a glass showcase. Now that was living! I could see everyone who came in the shop, all the other coins, and lots of jewelry. The man was so proud of me, he showed me to everybody who came in. I enjoyed them looking without getting their sweaty, oily hands on me. All of us cents know that a good thing can't last and all too soon I heard a young man say, "Your price is too much!" The shop owner told him they might be able to make a trade, and asked him what he had. The young man said he had an old English gold coin, called it a Sovereign. The shop owner said he'd take the Sovereign and 10 Rials. The trade was made.

I am sure getting up in the world. That Sovereign had to be worth at least $8.00 and the 10 Rials were worth something so now I am valued at $10.00. The young man wrapped me carefully in my plastic envelope and mailed me to a dealer friend of his back in the U.S.A. He wrote the dealer that he wanted to sell me for $45.00. I thought he was crazy, but the dealer sent him a check and I was back on display in his shop in New York City. It turns out that my new owner travels to shows so I was on the road again. He put a bunch of old coins of all types in his briefcase and hauled us to Detroit. There were a lot of people there and I was displayed impressively. Another dealer offered $50.00 for me and I was sold. My new owner removed me from my old plastic envelope and put me in a 2x2 mylar. Sure was a snug fit. It reminded me of the coyote. He priced me at $57.50. This was in 1965 and something was happening to the B.U. Roll Market. I heard everybody talking about prices going down, so I guess something was wrong. Maybe folks didn't like their government policies, going off the silver standard. I didn't have any silver in me and I sure was priced high so it proves that people are crazy.

Within the next five years, a lot of shows were attended by my owner and I sure enjoyed the traveling, but nobody was willing to pay the price he asked for me. I was toned so beautifully, he thought someone would buy

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Croatian Gold Coin

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A 250-Kuna Croatian gold coin, 21 mm in size and weighing 5 grams, was issued in 1969 in connection with the 10th anniversary of the death of Croatian President Dr. Ante Pavelic on Dec. 28, 1959, in Madrid, Spain.

The coin, au 900/1000, and 21.6 karats, was issued by the Croatian Liberation Movement (CLM) and minted at the Deschler Sohn Mint, in Munich, Germany. The obverse side shows the head bust of President Pavelic, who since 1929 headed the CLM and in April 1941 through May 1945 led the Independent State of Croatia. The obverse side contains the wording "Poglavnik Dr. Ante Pavelic" across the top of the coin and the dates, 1889-1959, being the year of his birth, and the year of his death.

The reverse side shows a map of Croatia, with the wording "Nezavisna Drzava Hrvatska, 1941-1945" and the value of the coin 250 Kuna. The bottom of the coin contains the date of issue 1969.

The writer of this article, who is doing a research of Croatian coins and currency, has obtained two of these coins through sources in Spain. Both are uncirculated, almost in proof condition. The writer would like to hear from other collectors of Croatian coins and banknotes.

The aforementioned gold piece is the only one of its kind issued by the CLM since the Pavelic government collapsed in May 1945 and went into exile. Last year, a silver coin was issued by the Croatian independence organization in conjunction with the 40th anniversary since Croatia declared its independence April 10, 1941, and separated from Yugoslavia (Serbia).

During its short-lived independence, the Independent State of Croatia issued seven different coins, approximately 20 different bank notes, a number of civil and military decorations, and over 250 postage stamps, post cards, and first day of issue envelopes. An additional 44 stamps were issued in exile in Argentina, Spain and other countries.

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Croatian Gold Coin

MIRIAM GILMORE

THE UNCOMFORTABLE CHAIR

EDITOR

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Unfounded speculation that copper cents will increase in value once the U.S. Treasury begins circulating the new zinc alloy coin has created a "penny" shortage throughout Texas, banking officials say, in an Associated Press report by Mack Sisk. Although bankers contend that the copper in the pennies will not be worth more than face value of the coins for as long as 100 years, they say hoarding of millions of the pennies has created an artificial shortage and hindered changemaking. Federal Reserve Banks in San Antonio, Dallas, El Paso and Houston report that penny supplies began drying up last March when the announcement came out of Washington that copper pennies would be replaced with a 97 percent zinc cent sandwiched between copper beginning in 1982.

The San Antonio reserve gets 18.5 million pennies each month from the mint and distributes them to 320 banks throughout south, central and west Texas, but over the past several months few of them have made their way back to the Federal Reserve. In Dallas, $500,000 worth, or 50 million, pennies are distributed each month and there still has been a shortage. At El Paso, the 6.4 million pennies the Federal Reserve sends to 75 banks in west Texas and New Mexico never return once they are distributed. Austin National Bank has been paying $1.20 for 100 pennies and some San Antonio banks were paying $1.05. One official said "The price of copper would have to be $120 a pound before the metal in the coin was worth more than face value." The current price of copper is 80 cents a pound. The shortage could continue until early spring when Texas begins getting some of the new zinc pennies now being minted.

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According to Jeffrey Feinman's new book, "The Money Lists," Parker Brothers prints the same amount of money each year for its Monopoly sets as the U.S. Treasury prints up for us . . . An ancient Arab tradition says there are three ways to conclude a contract—on paper, with gold or by gun—and one of them, on paper, is worthless . . . The world's most expensive men's wristwatch found a buyer soon after it went on display in a hotel in Tokyo. Its cost $8.7 million. Made by the Swiss watchmaker

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from the 2nd vice president

Texas Numismatic Association

Gerald W. Kendall

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This is the last letter for 1981. I can truthfully say I have not always enjoyed the extra work that a letter a month requires but I have enjoyed the fellowship and the ideas which you have contributed.

As most if not all already know, one of the dreams that I have had for several years has now become reality. I am referring to the lapel pins tie tacks necklaces which will identify us as a TNA member. It is my understanding that they will be ready at the 1982 TNA convention in Fort Worth. The 10K gold and gold filled will be reserved for life members and the sterling can be purchased for any TNA member in good standing. And, as I said before TNA will get a percentage of the sale.

Another idea that I have is, providing the board agrees, to use a part of the profit on these lapel pins to be ear marked for the building fund for the future home of TNA. I plan to bring this up at the board meeting in Fort Worth.

As 1981 becomes history and another year filled with hopes, dreams and opportunities is upon us now. Angela and I wish to take this time and space to say HAPPY NEW YEAR to all of you from the two of us.

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TNA CONVENTIONS PLANS UNDERWAY

Fort Worth – Cow Town U.S.A. – will be the scene of action for conventioneers and guests attending the 24th convention of Texas Numismatic Association. Fort Worth Coin Club will be host and the dates are May 21-22-23 at Tarrant County Convention Center.

L. C. (Lonnie) Mears, general chairman, reports that committee chairmen have had numerous meetings and final plans are underway.

The spacious Convention Center will accomodate over 100 bourse dealers with ample space for back-up tables. Bourse chairman is Bob Slocum assisted by Joe Wade. Slocum can be reached at 6732 Fortune Rd., Ft. Worth 71116.

Other committee chairman include Howard Luke, publicity, assisted by Joe Rinelli; awards-badges, John Luke; TNA educational forum, Lloyd Campbell; registration, Frances Luke, assisted by Rose Palmer; special events, Katherine Mears; TNA auction coordinator, Bob Culbertson; governors-club representatives and awards breakfasts, Linda Wade, and Robert Wilharm, convention program.

Wilharm is appealing to those who wish to place advertising in the convention program to send ad copy in as soon as possible. Advertising rates are: one page, $100.00, one half page, $60.00, and one fourth page, $35.00. Send copy and payment to Wilharm, 4121 Portland, Irving, Tx. 75062.

Hotel headquarters will be at the Fort Worth Hilton located one block from the Convention Center. To make reservations write Fort Worth Hilton, 1701 Commerce St., Fort Worth 76102 or phone: (817) 335-7000.

Many attractions lure visitors to the Fort Worth area so one may plan a vacation while attending the convention. The Amon Carter Museum of Western Art is a must to see. It houses a major portion of the works of two outstanding western artists—Frederic Remington and Charles M. Russell.

The Fort Worth Art Museum has an extensive collection of modern paintings and sculpture as well as old masters; the Botanic Gardens is a 114-acre library of plants modeled after the European Garden of Versailles with a series of three lagoons, rose ramps and a test garden for seasonal plantings; the Japanese Gardens features an oriental garden with pools, bridges, waterfalls, teahouses, Ryoan-ji and Moondeck.

Other attractions are the Museum of Science and History, Nature Center and Refuge, Water Garden Park, Zoological Park, International Wildlife Park, Kimbell Art Museum, Log Cabin Village and many, many more.

Fort Worth was the site of the very first TNA convention in 1960 and was sponsored by the Fort Worth Coin Club then as it also was in 1969, 1973, 1977 and again in 1982. DON'T MISS IT!

from the secretary

Texas Numismatic Association

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WELCOME to new members 4109-4118-J. It approved the following will become members March 1982.

4119 (D-10) James J. Devaney, 4600 Alabama #54, El Paso, TX 49930. U.S. Coins. W. Woelper & J. Berger.

4120 (D-10) James L. Few, 513 Cardon, El Paso, TX 79903. W. Woelper & J. Berger.

4121 (D-10) L. R. Reid, 9716 Dyer St., El Paso, TX 79924. J. Berger & W. Woelper.

4122 Lawrence March, 1416 S. Big Bend Blvd., St. Louis, MO 63117. Obsolete currency. R. E. Slocum.

VIP AWARD

Governor District 10 Walt Woelper and John Berger.

1982 TNA MEDAL FEATURES WESTERN THEME

A Western theme is featured on the 1982 medal, the 14th in the series issued by the Texas Numismatic Association. The main building in the refurbished North Side of Fort Worth is the Live Stock Exchange and is the feature design. The art work was done by Frank Galindo of San Antonio, TNA District 7 governor.

The Exchange building was built in 1902 and officials have kept it the same except for a few minor changes and re-painting. Policemen in the area still patrol on horseback.

The silver and bronze sets of medals are now ready and those who have ordered sets in the past are being notified. The silver type contains a full ounce of .999 fine silver and a limited issue of 200 were produced. The 200 are serially numbered.

Several sets for 1980 and 1981 (same serial number) are on hand and may be ordered at $55.00 for the pair plus $1.50 postage. The 1981 set sells for $30.00 plus $1.50 postage.

All orders should be sent to Howard W. Luke, TNA Medals Chairman, 823 North Riverside Dr., Fort Worth, Tx 76111.

from the treasurer

Texas Numismatic Association

Stanford M. Kennady

2901 Silverleaf Dr., Austin, Texas 78757

Balance on hand as of Nov. 30, 1981			$4,093 14
RECEIPTS:			
TNA NEWS Ads		205 00	
TNA Dues		1,993 00	
Sale of 1982 Medals		503 00	
Rental of Display Cases		741 00	
Sale of 1982 Auction		2,000 00	5,442 00
			9,535 14
DISBURSEMENTS:			
TNA Secretary – November Payment		150 00	
TNA Secretary – Postage for Dues Notices & Petty Cash		200 00	
Banner Printing Co.		1,381 61	
November issue - 1150 copies	850.50		
Handling	50.00		
Postage	135 67		
Miscellaneous Printing	345 44		
Abel Stationers – Office Supplies		17 07	
Central Forwarding, Inc. – Handling of Display Cases		47 07	
Luke Supply Co. – Balance Due on 1982 Medals		1,831 65	
TNA News Editor – December Travel Allowance and November petty cash		171 04	
Luke Supply Company – Freight on 1982 Medals		10 12	3,808 56
			5,726 58
Balance on hand as of Dec. 31, 1981			5,726.58
*Operating Funds		5,620 69*	
*Encumbered Funds		105 89*	

Note: The following funds cannot be used for anything except the purposes for which they are encumbered. The balance above includes these funds except as noted below.

TNA Memorial Library Fund as of Dec. 31, 1981	105.89
TNA Life Membership Savings Account as of Dec. 31, 1981	4,393.35
TNA News Certificate of Deposit as of Dec. 31, 1981	3,863.11
Certificate of Deposits as of Dec. 31, 1981	1,500.00
TOTAL ASSETS	15,483.04

CLUB SALUTE!

Texas Numismatic Association wishes to honor its chapter members so the Governing Board established an award to salute the three top clubs in Texas. The awards are made annually at the Governors' and Club Representatives' breakfast during TNA conventions. THE CLUB SALUTE AWARD carries first, second and third honors. Clubs participating must be TNA members in good standing.

Here's all you have to do to enter competition—submit a typewritten report of club activities during the calendar year of 1981 no later than March 1, 1982, to the TNA News Editor, The Antonian Apts. #L4, 3939 Fredericksburg Rd., San Antonio, Tx. 78201 and include the following:

1. Name of club and how many members
2. When and where meetings are held
3. Types of programs and any special programs held during the year
4. Special guests at meetings
5. Exhibiting at meetings and outside events
6. Charitable activities and donations
7. Coin show activities
8. Special honors bestowed upon club or any member
9. Describe how your meetings and shows are publicized
10. List any ideas your club has adopted to increase interest
11. What each club did to further and encourage numismatics
12. Work done on a local level to increase club membership
13. Local civic projects that enhanced the club locally and/or statewide
14. Programs designated to continue and generate interest in the local coin club
15. Particular actions employed to encourage junior members locally and statewide

EVENTS CALENDAR

MARCH 13-14

CORPUS CHRISTI COIN CLUB, 24th annual Collectors' Show, Exposition Hall **BOURSE**: Joe B. Davis, Box 3191, Corpus Christi 78404

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MARCH 20-21

SOUTH PLAINS COIN CLUB, annual show, Lubbock Memorial Civic Center **BOURSE**: Ed Chauncey, 5015 University, Lubbock 79413.

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MARCH 21

DAL-WORTH COIN & STAMP SHOW, Rodeway Inn, Old Dallas-Ft Worth Turnpike, Hiway 360 at Six Flags. **CONTACT**: Joe Wade, 6420 Diamond Loch, Ft Worth 76118

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MARCH 25-28

SOCIETY FOR INTERNATIONAL NUMISMATICS, SINCON XI, Airport Park Hotel, Inglewood, Calif. **WRITE**: Box 943, Santa Monica, Calif 90406.

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MARCH 27-28

WACO COIN CLUB, coin & stamp show, Waco Convention Center Details later.

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APRIL 24-25

AMARILLO COIN CLUB Show, Civic Center. **BOURSE**: Nela Runkle, 4304 Jennie, Amarillo 79106. 806/355-1702. 806 355-1702.

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MAY 21-23

TEXAS NUMISMATIC ASSN CONVENTION, Tarrant County Convention Center, Ft. Worth. **BOURSE**: Bob Slocum, 6732 Fortune, Ft. Worth 76116

JUNE 5-6

GARLAND COIN CLUB, annual show, Sheraton Inn Dallas Northeast. Other details later

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JULY 16-18

DALLAS COIN CLUB, annual show North Park Inn, 9300 North Central Expressway. **WRITE**: Club, Box 7673, Dallas 75209 214 357-1379

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AUGUST 5-8

SOCIETY FOR INTERNATIONAL NUMISMATICS, SONCON XII, Airport Park Hotel, Inglewood, Ca. **WRITE**: Box 943, Santa Monica, Ca 90406

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AUGUST 7-8

BELLAIRE COIN CLUB Show, Community Center, 7000 S. Rice Blvd. **WRITE**: Club, Box 303, Bellaire 77401.

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OCTOBER 16-17

AMARILLO COIN CLUB Show, Civic Center. **BOURSE**: Nela Runkle, 4304 Jennie, Amarillo 79106. 806 355-1702

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TEXAS District Meetings

DISTRICT I –

Morris Johnson
Governor

Members and guests of **Stephenville Coin Club** were entertained at a holiday party at Red Bandana Steak House. Carolyn Adcock was chairman of decorations and door prizes, assisted by her daughter Natalie Adcock, Mary Miller, Maxine Dameron, Lorene Randals and Shirley Ross.

Christmas floral arrangements, silver Christmas bars and proof sets were given as prizes.

"No scrooge was spotted among the happy faces and everyone had a good time as old friendships were renewed and new friends were welcomed to the club." – **Jo Stem, Sec.**

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DISTRICT III –

Melba Coursey
Governor

New officers were installed at the annual Christmas party to serve **Nolan County Coin Club** of Sweetwater. The event was held at Holiday Inn with 35 members and guests present. Melba Coursey, Brownwood, TNA Dist. 3 governor, was a special guest.

Officers include Herman Nations, president, Nina Pryor, vice president, Vadie Nations, secretary-treasurer. Harold Smith is chairman of the Board and members are Elgie Rogers, Vada Thompson, Lucky Thompson and Juanita Monroe.

Buz Sawyer of Abilene spoke to the group on grading and pricing of coins. Winning a coin clock was Ken Nelson, junior member. – **Vadie Nations, Sec**

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DISTRICT IV –

Robert E. Greenwood
Governor

Mal Lucas was elected president of **Waco Coin Club** at the December meeting held at T. P. & L. Center. Assisting Lucas will be Herbert Lovell, Weldon Wilkerson and Robert Schuetze, vice presidents, and Aubrey Carpenter, secretary-treasurer.

A discussion of the upcoming 5th annual coin and stamp show on Mar. 27-28 was held. Bourse tables are $50 each and reservations may be made through Carpenter, Box 8014, Waco 76710. – **J. P. Jones, Sec.**

DISTRICT V –

Officers to serve **Dallas Coin Club** include A. L. Clinkinbeard, president; Robert Johnston, vice president; and Frank Clark, secretary-treasurer.

Barney Welch
Governor

Plans were made to celebrate the holiday season at Holiday Inn Central on December 17.

Frank Clark showed an ANA slide program on "Coins With Special Significance." Barney Welch conducted an auction of 26 lots and George Johnson won the door prize. – **Frank Clark, Sec.**

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An election for 1982 officers was held in December to serve the **Dallas Coin Dealers Assn.** They include R. W. Smithwick, president; Dr. Don Peterson, 1st vice president; Lew Johnson, 2nd vice president; Kenny Smith, treasurer; and Fred Barfitt, Sgt. at Arms. The organization is seeking a secretary.

The next meeting was to be held Jan. 30-31 in Lewisville.

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The annual **Garland Coin Club** Christmas party was held Dec. 8 at Sheraton Inn Northeast with 53 members and guests present.

Barney Welch presented gifts of appreciation to James Brown, president, Jack Spann, vice president, Lucretia Johnson, secretary-treasurer, Gertrud Welch, refreshment chairperson, Clara Jones, social director, and C. C. Andrews, auctioneer. Andrews installed the new officers: Brown, president; Spann, vice president; and Lucretia Johnson, secretary-treasurer. New membership applications were Robert A. Bruckner, Hugh Dickerson Jr. and Michael Ruwaldt. – **Lucretia Johnson, Sec.**

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The December edition of N. I. Bulletin published by **Numismatics International** of Dallas featured articles by W. A. Haskell "Notgeld of Paderborn;" Walter Bergman, "The Background Story of the Hong Kong Dollar;" Richard Collias, "A Chinese Cash Die Error." Raymond J. Hebert wrote a silver piece, "A Coin of the Menteshe-Oghular."

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DISTRICT VII –

Alamo Coin Club of San Antonio held the annual Christmas party in the home of Ted Almquist, Alamo club president. Members of **Gateway Coin Club** joined in the festivities. Token gifts were exchanged.

Frank Galindo
Governor

It was announced that no meetings would be held in December. – **Club Bulletin.**

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During December meetings **Gateway Coin Club** of San Antonio, a discussion was held on the ANACS Seminar to be

sponsored jointly with **Alamo Coin Club** in March and also voted to set up a disaster fund to be dispensed to a needy family around Christmastime. A committee of two will decide the recipient. Since this donation will be a joint venture of both San Antonio clubs, the Alamo club will put up half the funds and supply one member of the committee. James Allen will represent the Gateway club and each club will donate $100.

Two new members joined the club —Esequiel Cruz and Ed Wertz. Plans were discussed for the February coin show and Lee Grossman conducted a quiz which was won by Dr. John Harper. – **Mike McGowan, Sec.**

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DISTRICT VIII –

Joe B. Davis
Governor

Corpus Christi Coin Club is advertising its March 13-14 Collectors Show at Exposition Hall with a wooden nickel. The endangered whooping crane is the main design and also features the club logo with palm trees noting the location of the "Sparkling City by the Sea." Show chairman is Glen W. Littrell and Joe B. Davis is serving as bourse chairman. The club's address is Box 3191, Corpus Christi 78404.

Planned for January meetings included a talk by Angela Williams on her experiences as a collector during a six months' stay in Italy and C. H. Roberts arranged a program by Dr. Richard Marcum speaking on "The History of the First Baptist Church." – **Club Bulletin.**

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TNA Governor Joe B. Davis installed a new slate of officers at the annual **Liberty Coin Club** of Corpus Christi banquet at Chung Mei Restaurant. David Walzel will serve as president, Ross Barrera, 1st vice president, Alonzo Perez, 2nd vice president, Ernest Howe, secretary, and Louis Gonzales, treasurer.

At the January 19 meeting, Glen Littrell was to show slides "How to Make a Penny" supplemented by slides on the history of the monetary systems and the mines and mints of Colorado. – **Club Bulletin.**

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DISTRICT IX –

D. O. Joplin
Governor

Fifty attended the annual Christmas dinner and benefit auction hosted by **South Plains Coin club** of Lubbock. Marshall Cooper, executive director of Girlstown USA told the history of the organization which is 32 years old. Girlstown has 61 girls living there now and has a capacity of 82. Eighty eight percent of supporting money comes from contributions. A total of $737.00 was raised at the auction.

New coin club officers are Ed Chauncey, president, Mrs. Chauncey secretary-treasurer, and Kurt McLeaney, vice president. The 1981

Outstanding Club Member award went to Jim Hall – **D. O. Joplin, Gov. Dist. 9**

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A benefit auction for Levelland Boys Club netted $520.00 at the annual holiday dinner held at Pauline's Kornor sponsored by **Levelland Coin Club** Twenty-nine attended.

Nancy Price, secretary-treasurer of the Boys Club, gave a brief talk on the activities of the club and thanked all for the continued effort in raising money to assist the boys. – **D. O. Joplin, Gov. Dist. 9**

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DISTRICT XI –

Charles Garrett of Borger has been elected president of **Hutchinson County Coin & Stamp Club** Garrett longtime collector, succeeds Franky Hill.

Nela Runkle
Governor

Other officers elected were Juanita Wilson, 1st vice president; Eck Spahich, 2nd vice president, Loella Lacefield, secretary, Slim Harrell, treasurer; Dubb Anderson, historian; Ruby Yates, librarian; and Bill Pratt, Sgt at Arms. The new officers were installed during the club's Christmas party and social Dec. 7 at Sutphen's.

Gary Turner, vice president and trust officer at PBT, addressed members and guests on investments, including money market and silver and gold investments.

New members joining were Herman Coston, Pat Cline, Donny Hooper, and Bob and Damon Brown. – **Eck Spahich, Reporter**

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New officers have been elected to serve **Amarillo Coin Club** and are: Curtis Maple, president, Robert Fortner, 1st vice president; Homer Dotts, 2nd vice president, Nela Runkle, secretary, Linda Runkle, treasurer; Lloyd Colvin, historian; and Roy Wilson, TNA representative. Past President is Dr. Wm. Stout and directors are Bob Billingsley, Jim Jordan and Paula White.

Door prize winners were J. R. Lopez, Ernest Cummings, O. B. Latimer, Elaine Maple and Homer Dotts. Cory Chuck won the junior quiz. Total money raised at the club's charity auction was $635.00. – **Club Bulletin**.

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DISTRICT XIII -

Lloyd E. Colvin of Amarillo, TNA president, was guest speaker for the annual Christmas dinner meeting of **Wichita Falls Coin & Stamp Club** Dec. 17 at Underwood's banquet room.

President Jim Talley welcomed members and guests and announced postponement of reports and other business matters until the regular January meeting. He presented certificates of award to Mrs. Woody Taylor and Mrs. Polly Horn for more than 16 years service in providing coffee break refreshments for each meeting. Certificate of award was also presented to Eugene W. Hurn, club vice president, for planning and providing programs

The guest speaker was introduced by Pauline Copelin, acting secretary. Colvin told of his experiences in longtime coin collecting and in his business of buying, selling and appraisals. He mentioned the work of TNA and plans for the coming year.

President Talley reported that the club meeting would be held in 1982 as usual in the VIP Room of the Orchid Branch Burkburnett Savings & Loan Co. on the third Thursday. — **Pauline Copelin, Acting Sec.**

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DISTRICT XIV -

Ada Lee Chisum
Governor

Hidalgo Coin Club met at Texas Commerce Bank in McAllen for the December meeting. Twenty members were present.

The program was given by Mr. Cross on the early coinage of the United States. He also had an exhibit of coins.

Plans were made for the 20th club anniversary and efforts would be made to have some of the charter members present. Miriam and Wally Gilmore, charter members, have moved to San Antonio. Still living in the Valley and also charter members are Harvey Bruns, Dick Clardy, Neil Utberg and Emily Kleemeyer. — **Ada Lee Chisum, Gov. Dist. 14**

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DISTRICT XV -

Jerry A. Williams
Governor

The **Beaumont** and **Port Arthur Coin Clubs** met jointly in November due to the Thanksgiving holiday. The Port Arthur club held their meeting first and Pat Mounier presided at the Beaumont club meeting. He welcomed two guests, Norbet Westmoreland and Linda Lance.

Door prize winners were Glen Dowden, Joseph Scott, M. Ashmore, George Fortune, Tom Cobb and John Brown. The auction was led by Sidney King with Glen Dowden, John Gleason, Tom Cobb and Pat Mounier as helpers. — **Club Bulletin.**

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Glenn Dowden gave the program at the meeting of **Greater Orange Coin Club** and he spoke on the size and material of future coins. The Washington quarter and the Roosevelt dime are overdue for a change. The half dollar may not be minted in the future because of their limited use. The size of coins may not change drastically because of the coin operated machines now in use.

Winning door prizes were Dowden, Lavada Canter, Jimmy Schmidt and Kenny Schmidt. The auction was conducted by Doug Hales. The annual Christmas party was planned for Dec. 17 at Ramada Inn. — **Lucy Canter, Sec.**

LIFE WITHOUT DEATH —

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me as uncirculated. Now I did not mind not selling because I went to coin shows in New York, Chicago, Miami, Los Angeles, Denver, Seattle, Dallas, Atlanta, St. Louis, St. Paul, Houston, Little Rock, New Orleans, Kansas City, Pittsburg, and in my birth city, so I sure enjoyed it. We did go to at least 50 other smaller cities during the last few years, and only last month my life changed again.

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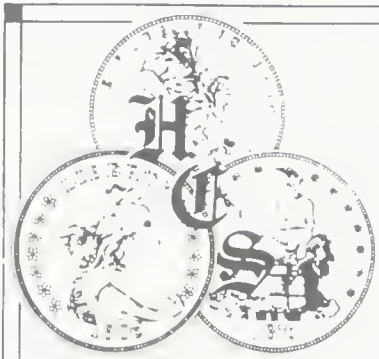

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